



**CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES**

APRIL 19, 2010 7:30 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Flag Salute

Mayor Peter B. Lewis called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. Roll Call

Councilmembers present: Rich Wagner, Sue Singer, Nancy Backus, Bill Pelozza, Lynn Norman, Virginia Haugen, and John Partridge.

Staff members present: Emergency Preparedness Manager Sarah Miller; Chief of Police Jim Kelly; Assistant Police Chief Larry Miller; City Attorney Daniel B. Heid; Information Services Director Lorrie Rempher; Principal Planner Elizabeth Chamberlain; Police Sergeant Hans Krenz; Public Works Director Dennis Dowdy; Finance Director Shelley Coleman; Human Resources and Risk/Property Management Director Brenda Heineman; Parks, Arts and Recreation Director Daryl Faber; Senior Center Supervisor Radine Lozier; and City Clerk Danielle Daskam.

C. Announcements and Appointments

1. Announcements

a) Legislative Update by Senator Claudia Kauffman

Mayor Lewis introduced Senator Kauffman who was instrumental in bringing Tax Increment Financing through the legislature last year.

Senator Kauffman provided a brief update on the past legislative session and special session and presented the Council with written legislative session updates:

- **Budget.** The Legislature faced a \$11.8 billion budget gap but was able to balance the State's budget with a combination of budget cuts, fund transfers, new federal funds, and new taxes. Senator Kauffman voted against the revenue package bill, but supported the cigarette tax to pay for essential health care programs. Senator Kauffman also supported state budget cuts while preserving basic education, preschool and childcare, health care for children and financial aid for young adults
- **Responded to City's priorities regarding:**
 - A feasibility study for an Amtrak station in Auburn
 - HOT lane signage improvements
 - Protecting businesses in the Green River Valley by passing a bill that provides for the Insurance Commissioner to carry out a Market Assistance Plan to help businesses find surplus flood and business interruption insurance
 - Fostering small business and jobs by sponsoring Senate Bill 6679 authorizing Small Business Export Finance Assistance Center to make loans or provide loan guarantees to finance export activities and Senate Bill 6667 to improve coordination between small business development centers, the Department of Commerce and the Microenterprise Association
- **Sponsored Senate Bill 6759 relating to early learning**
- **Supported several bills relating to military and veterans packages:**
 - Senate Bill 5041 providing for a director of veteran owned businesses and encouraging state agencies to increase

the number of contracts to those businesses

- House Bill 1876 creates a fund in the state treasury where voluntary donations may be made for the welfare of disabled and homeless veterans.
- House Bill 2403 clarifies how military leave is granted
- SB6342/HB2720 regarding Washington Soldiers Home Lease agreement

Mayor Lewis and City Councilmembers thanked Senator Kauffman for her work on behalf of the City of Auburn.

b) Proclamation – “Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Month”

Mayor Lewis declared the month of April 2010, the 35th anniversary of the end of the American involvement in the Vietnam War, as “Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Month in the city of Auburn. Mayor Lewis urged all citizens to acknowledge and thank Vietnam Veterans for their sacrifices and contributions to nation and community.

c) Proclamation – “Arbor Day”

Mayor Lewis declared April 14, 2010, as “Arbor Day” in the city of Auburn.

Mayor Lewis read and presented the proclamation to Park, Arts and Recreation Director Daryl Faber. Mayor Lewis reported that a tree will be planted at the barrier free playground, which is under construction at Les Gove Park. The tree will be part of a sensory garden at the playground site.

d) Proclamation – “National Volunteer Week” and Presidential Volunteer Service Awards

Mayor Lewis declared the week of April 18-24, 2010 as “National Volunteer Week” in the city of Auburn.

Mayor Lewis read and presented the proclamation to Senior Center Supervisor Radine Lozier. Supervisor Lozier noted the Senior Center relies heavily on

volunteers. Approximately 150 volunteers have donated over 19,000 hours of service to the senior center. Supervisor Lozier expressed her gratitude to the volunteers.

Emergency Preparedness Manager Sarah Miller reported that the 119 recipients of the Presidential Awards this year from the Police Department, Senior Center, and Emergency Preparedness represent 36,000 hours of donated service to the City. The Emergency Management division had over 500 volunteers in the last year.

Mayor Lewis announced the following recipients of the Presidential Volunteer Service Awards:

- Dacanay Estill - Bronze Award. Estill has contributed the most hours in the 14 and under age category
- Brian McDaniel - Silver Award. McDaniel has contributed the most hours in the 15-25 age category
- Judy Gaerttner - Gold Award. Gaerttner has contributed over 900 hours in support of Auburn Police Department programs
- Keith Thomson - Gold Award. Thomson has contributed nearly 800 hours in support of Auburn Senior Center Programs
- Mandy Rutherford - Bronze Award. Mandy Rutherford has contributed over 130 hours in support of Auburn Emergency Management programs. She also received a 2010 Governor's Volunteer Service Award
- Rutherford Family (Bob, Beverly, Chris, Doug, & Mandy) - Bronze Family Award. The Rutherford Family has contributed over 250 hours in support of Auburn Emergency Management programs

Mayor Lewis and Councilmembers thanked the volunteers for their commitment and service to the City.

2. Appointments

a) Planning Commission

City Council to consider the appointment of Deward (Wayne) Osborne to an unexpired term ending December 31, 2010:

Deputy Mayor Singer moved and Councilmember Wagner seconded to confirm the appointment of Wayne Osborne to the Planning Commission.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. 7-0.

D. Agenda Modifications

Ordinance No. 6303 was removed from the agenda.

II. CITIZEN INPUT, PUBLIC HEARINGS & CORRESPONDENCE

A. Public Hearings

No public hearing was scheduled for this evening.

B. Audience Participation

This is the place on the agenda where the public is invited to speak to the City Council on any issue. Those wishing to speak are reminded to sign in on the form provided.

Michael Shuey, 30827 55th Avenue South, Auburn
Mr. Shuey spoke in favor of Ordinance No. 6304 relating to dangerous dogs. Mr. Shuey reported that he lives behind a rental property that has three large pitbulls. His property is separated from the dogs by his own low rise fence; the dog owners use no other containment for the dogs. Mr. Shuey urged the Council to adopt proposed Ordinance No. 6304 which will require the dog owners to have either a six foot tall fence, as measured from the ground, or have a secure top ensuring full enclosure.

C. Correspondence

There was no correspondence for Council review.

III. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

A3.7.6

A. Municipal Services

Chair Peloza reported the Municipal Services Committee met April 12, 2010. The Committee reviewed Resolution No. 4589 approving

an Interlocal Agreement for the Valley Narcotics Enforcement Team, Resolution No. 4591 accepting a grant from the United States Department of Homeland Security to enhance emergency management services. The Committee also discussed Ordinance No. 6304 relating to dangerous dogs, animal control services in light of King County's decision to terminate existing animal control agreements with King County cities effective June 30, 2010, and the towing ordinance. The next meeting of the Municipal Services Committee is scheduled for Monday, April 26, 2010 at 4:00 p.m.

B. Planning & Community Development

Chair Norman reported the Planning and Community Development Department met April 12, 2010. The Committee discussed animal control services and recommended entering into a contract with Pierce County for animal sheltering with the City taking the responsibility for hiring an animal control officer and issuing pet licenses. The Committee also discussed Jacobsen Park and the Park Master Plan, an update on the status of the Lea Hill Park and Green River Community College land transfer, Resolution No. 4585 approving the King County countywide planning policies, the Pierce County countywide planning policies, and a presentation from Washington State University School of Architecture students of their design concepts that could serve as a model for future development in the Green Zone in Auburn's Environmental Park. The next regular meeting of the Planning and Community Development Committee is scheduled for April 26, 2010 at 5:00 p.m.

Councilmember Wagner commented on the presentation given by the Washington State University School of Architecture students. Councilmember Wagner was pleased that a number of Green River Community College students attended the presentation.

C. Public Works

Chair Wagner reported the Public Works Committee met this afternoon at 3:30 p.m. The Committee approved a right-of-way use permit for the Clean Sweep event and accepted construction for contracts related to Green River emergency flood protection measures. The Committee reviewed Resolution No. 4590 expressing the Council's support for the United States Congress to appropriate sufficient funds to make interim and permanent repairs to the Howard Hanson Dam and Resolution No. 4592 approving an Interlocal Agreement with King County for pavement markings, annual bridge inspections and emergency call-out services. The

Committee also discussed Ordinance No. 6301 related to Local Revitalization Financing, Ordinance No. 6305 relating to bond issues, bad debt write-off, water emergency intertie agreement with the City of Bonney Lake, Ordinance No. 6275 relating to parking on parking strips, pavement preservation, and capital projects status. The next regular meeting of the Public Works Committee is scheduled for May 3, 2010 at 3:30 p.m.

D. Finance

Chair Backus reported the Finance Committee met this evening at 6:00. The Committee approved claims and payroll vouchers, bad debt write-off, Ordinance No. 6301 relating to Local Revitalization Financing. The Committee discussed Ordinance No. 6305 relating to bond issues, Auburn School District impact fees, Resolution No. 4589 approving an Interlocal Agreement for the Valley Narcotics Enforcement Team, Ordinance No. 6303 relating to fees for appeal of alarm administrator decisions, Resolution No. 4591 accepting a grant from Homeland Security, Resolution No. 4592 relating to an Interlocal Agreement with King County for road services, Resolution No. 4590 expressing the Council's support for the United States Congress to appropriate sufficient funds to make interim and permanent repairs to the Howard Hanson Dam, and the monthly financial report from Finance Director Coleman. The next regular meeting of the Finance Committee is scheduled for May 3, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.

E. Community Center

Chair Wagner reported that the next meeting of the Community Center Committee is scheduled for April 21, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.

F. Downtown Redevelopment

Chair Norman reported the Downtown Redevelopment Committee met April 13, 2010. The Committee took action on the downtown urban design standards to improve existing standards. The Committee discussed downtown loading zones, the City Hall plaza, and the promenade. The next regular meeting of the Downtown Redevelopment Committee is scheduled for April 27, 2010 at 4:00 p.m.

G. Council Operations Committee

Chair Wagner reported the Council Operations Committee has not met since the last Council meeting.

IV. REPORTS

At this time the Mayor and City Council may report on significant items associated with their appointed positions on state, regional and local organizations.

A. From the Council

Deputy Mayor Singer reported on her attendance at a meeting of the Auburn Arts Co-op that is being formed, a meeting with Mayor Lewis and representatives from Waste Management regarding their proposal for a compressed natural gas facility in Auburn, the presentation from the Washington State University School of Architecture students of their design concepts that could serve as a model for future development in the Green Zone in Auburn's Environmental Park, and a meeting of the Auburn Tourism Board, which is hosting an autumn wedding show at Emerald Downs on October 2 and 3, 2010.

Councilmember Wagner reported that he has been appointed to an Advisory Committee for Stormwater Technical Resource Center that is being constructed at Washington State University-Puyallup in conjunction with the City of Puyallup.

Councilmember Partridge participated in the Mountain View High School second round of senior presentations. Councilmember Partridge will be attending the Suburban Cities Regional Law and Safety Committee on April 22, 2010.

Councilmember Norman reported that she attended the Boy Scouts fundraising breakfast and a recent Auburn Symphony performance. Councilmember Norman will be serving on the Puget Sound Regional Council 2040 Awards Selection Committee.

Councilmember Backus reported that she attended the monthly meeting of the Valley Regional Fire Authority Board of Directors. Councilmember Backus will be attending the Fire Ops held in Richland, Washington, May 6 and 7.

Councilmember Pelozo reported the Auburn International Farmers Market submitted a grant application to the Department of Agriculture for \$50,000 to fund market operations in 2011. The Farmers Market received a \$31,000 grant from King Conservation District for 2010 market operations. Councilmember Pelozo reported that he attended the monthly Regional Water Quality Committee meeting where the main topic was reclaimed water

evaluation criteria and the status of the Brightwater Wastewater Treatment Plant project.

Councilmember Haugen reported that she attended the Arbor Day event on April 14. Councilmember Haugen thanked Mayor Lewis and Director Faber for organizing the event.

Councilmember Haugen was excused from the meeting at this time (8:32 p.m.).

B. From the Mayor

Mayor Lewis reported that he attended the Boy Scouts fundraising breakfast to support the efforts of Boy Scouts in the community. Mayor Lewis noted the number of Eagle Scouts who were in attendance at the breakfast. Mayor Lewis reported that discussion has been ongoing regarding animal control services for the City. The City is investigating its options for animal control and sheltering services.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed on the Consent Agenda are considered by the City Council to be routine and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed.

A. Minutes

1. **Minutes of the April 5, 2010 regular City Council meeting.**

B. Vouchers
F4.9.2, F4.9.5

1. **Claims**
Claims check numbers 393955 through 394299 in the amount of \$2,140,572.14 and dated April 19, 2010.
2. **Payroll**
Payroll check numbers 528716 through 528814 in the amount of \$804,974.56 and electronic deposit transmissions in the amount of \$1,127,851.18 for a grand total of \$1,932,825.74 for the pay period covering April 1, 2010 to April 14, 2010.

C. Contract Administration

1. Public Works Contracts E0901, E0902, E0903, E0904, E0905, E0906, and E0907 for Emergency Work

O1.8.4

City Council accept construction of Contracts E0901, E0902, E0903, E0904, E0905, E0906, E0907 in the total amount of \$1,220,554.72, for Project No. EM0902, Green River Emergency Flood Protection Measures.

D. Bad Debt Write Off

F4.12

City Council approve the write-off of utility customer accounts, miscellaneous accounts receivable, false alarm citations, and bankruptcies:

Utility Customer Accounts:	\$ 32,341.01
Miscellaneous Accounts Receivable	\$116,727.50
False Alarm Citations	\$ 3,040.00
Project Ace Contract	\$ 51,400.00
Police Dept – Parking Citations	\$ 70,911.02

Deputy Mayor Singer moved and Councilmember Wagner seconded to approve the Consent Agenda.

MOTION CARRIED. 6-0.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

VIII. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

A. Ordinances

1. Ordinance No. 6301

F6.16

An Ordinance of the City of Auburn, Washington, imposing the local sales and use tax to be credited against the state sales and use tax for purposes of utilizing local revitalization financing under Chapter 39.104 RCW; and providing for other matters properly relating thereto

Councilmember Backus moved and Councilmember Norman seconded to introduce and adopt Ordinance No. 6301.

MOTION CARRIED. 6-0.

2. Ordinance No. 6303

O1.8

An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Auburn, Washington, amending Section 9.30.140 of the Auburn City Code relating to fees for appeal of alarm administrator decisions

Ordinance No. 6303 was removed from the agenda.

3. Ordinance No. 6304

O1.1

An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Auburn, Washington, amending Section 6.35.030 of the Auburn City Code relating to dangerous dogs

Councilmember Pelosa moved and Deputy Mayor Singer seconded to introduce and adopt Ordinance No. 6304.

MOTION CARRIED. 6-0.

B. Resolutions

1. Resolution No. 4585

A3.4.1

A Resolution of the City of Auburn, Washington, ratifying the amendments to the King County Countywide Planning Policies

Councilmember Norman moved and Councilmember Backus seconded to adopt Resolution No. 4585.

MOTION CARRIED. 6-0.

2. Resolution No. 4589

O1.11

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Auburn, Washington, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Auburn and the

Cities of Kent, Renton, Tukwila, Federal Way and the Port of Seattle for the Valley Narcotics Team ("VNET")

Councilmember Pelosa moved and Deputy Mayor Singer seconded to adopt Resolution No. 4589.

MOTION CARRIED. 6-0.

3. Resolution No. 4590

O1.8.3

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Auburn, Washington, requesting that the United States Congress appropriate sufficient funds to provide for interim and permanent repairs to the Howard Hanson Dam, and requesting that the Army Corps of Engineers be directed to make the Howard Hanson Dam permanent repairs a priority project

Councilmember Wagner moved and Deputy Mayor Singer seconded to adopt Resolution No. 4590.

MOTION CARRIED. 6-0.

4. Resolution No. 4591

F5.2

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Auburn, Washington, formally accepting a grant from the Washington State Military Department in the amount of Seventy Five Thousand One Hundred Seventy Seven Dollars (\$75,177.00) from the United States Department of Homeland Security Emergency Management Performance Grant Program, and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the necessary agreements to accept said funds

Councilmember Pelosa moved and Councilmember Partridge seconded to adopt Resolution No. 4591.

MOTION CARRIED. 6-0.

5. Resolution No. 4592

A3.16.9, O4.9

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Auburn, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an Interlocal

Agreement with King County for the purpose of providing road services

Councilmember Wagner moved and Deputy Mayor Singer seconded to adopt Resolution No. 4592.

MOTION CARRIED. 6-0.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:47 p.m., Mayor Lewis recessed the meeting for a five minute intermission and then to executive session for approximately ten minutes in order to discuss pending/potential litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). Staff members required for the executive session were: City Attorney Heid, Human Resources/Property and Risk Management Director Heineman, and Public Works Director Dowdy. No action is expected following the executive session.

At 9:02 p.m., Mayor Lewis extended the executive session an additional five minutes.

Mayor Lewis reconvened the meeting at 9:11 p.m.

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 9:11 p.m.

APPROVED THE _____ DAY OF MAY, 2010.

Peter B. Lewis, Mayor

Danielle Daskam, City Clerk

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